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Dear Editor:

In an effort to make known the dramatic increase in anti-gay/lesbian incidents in Sacramento, the Lambda Community Center has joined the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in the "Count and Counter Campaign."

As a result of increasing visibility and activism of Gays and Lesbians, the violence against the community will continue to become more frequent. If we want "the system" to respond to the violence, we've got to let them know it's happening.

Report all incidents of anti-gay/lesbian hostility or violence to the Lambda Center at 1931 L Street, Sacramento...or call (916) 442-0185. All reports are confidential.

The Lambda Community Center is also responding to the increase in gay/lesbian hate crimes by forming a citizen patrol group. The group will be known as the Lavender Angels, and will serve as deterrent-only patrols in the crime-ridden 20th and K Street area—otherwise known as "Lavender Heights."

Volunteers for the patrols are needed immediately. There will be a training workshop for all volunteers led by Midge Marino—a self defense professor at CSUS. If interested, please call Shaanon at 442-0185.

Shaanon Lindauer
Hate Crimes, Proj. Dir.

Dear Editor:

I have come to know about your address from one of my gay friends. As you are well aware, Pakistan is an Islamic state, and as such keeping homosexual relationships is punishable to death along with lashes. I shall be highly obliged to you for publishing the under mentioned advertisement in your next issue and send to me a copy of the same, in order to achieve the common objectives. It may be rewritten for clarity of the purpose. (Please see personal section of classifieds.)

M. J. Akhter

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Dear Editor:

I'm writing to share with you and your readers information about Creative Leisure and the service that it offers. Creative Leisure is more than a travel agency. It provides home and flat exchange holidays and travel packages to the lesbian and gay communities of the United Kingdom, Europe and the United States. We at Creative Leisure strive to provide a unique, stylized and personalized holiday service for lesbian and gay travel.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, and I will be only too happy to answer your queries. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes,
Brian Hagan

Dear Editor:

Congratulations on an interesting March issue. I can witness the influence you have had on PATLAR's "look" and its content, and I think it is very positive. I also enjoyed your new "From the Editor" column. PATLAR's vision is very similar to Island LIFESTYLE's and so is the size of its staff! We are basically a two-person show here with contributors (including PATLAR's Mel Dahl) from all over the state and country. Occasionally we are called upon to do investigative-type reporting but do so only if time allows.

Keep up the good work and if there is anything I can ever do to assist you, please feel free to call me.

Aloha,
Cheryl L. Embry
Publisher/Editor-in-chief

PATLAR welcomes a new feature this month, the "Positive Outlook" department! Serving those of us who are living with AIDS, which is to say, our entire community in some way or another, this section will offer information and commentary for healthy living within the context of the HIV epidemic. New developments in treatment, expanding sexual and sensual awareness, and positive, goal-oriented advice for full and fulfilling living will be the general emphasis.

I am mindful of the many perspectives regarding these issues held by members of our community. PATLAR and I are not here to decide which of these is right for you—but neither are we to become anyone's angry mouthpiece. For these reasons, I plan to rotate different sources from a variety of disciplines. We shall endeavor to verify all medical information as completely as possible. And we are always looking for new sources!!!

"Positive Outlook" should provide exactly what it says—a supportive and positive look at living with AIDS in the 90's and beyond. In this way, I intend for PATLAR to acknowledge the epidemic in our midst, focusing all the while on how to secure our future.

Now, on a locally related note, **AIDS WALK SACRAMENTO** will take place on June 1, 1991. This vitally important (and fun) event will be the largest AIDS fund-raiser to ever take place in the Sacramento region! Your help and participation are urgently needed. To sign up, call AIDS Walk Sacramento at (916) 552-6767 or write to them at 500 22nd Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Join us in helping to ensure our future. ▼



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Private Lives and Public Lies

We all realize that being homosexual is not the same as being gay. That the first is merely a sexual preference; the second, a complete lifestyle. There are a whole lot of homosexuals out there who have nothing in common with those of us who are proudly, openly, socially, politically, personally GAY. Often, they strongly disapprove of our openness, our visibility and our political aspirations. These homosexuals feel no sense of loss for the two thousand year history that has been denied us. They feel no sense of pride for the amazing gains the gay rights movement has achieved in little more than two decades. They feel no hope that future generations may have a little bit easier time of it because of what we are accomplishing.

But then, a mere homosexual has no past. Well, unless you count the closet. A mere homosexual has no present. Well, unless you count pretending to have a sexual interest in the opposite sex while secretly cruising some sweet young thing at a wedding (the fact that the wedding is your own just makes it worse, honey.) And I really don't think that mere homosexuals will have too much of a future. The parade has passed them by. Time has passed them by. At this point, even Cardinal O'Connor has passed them by.

Frankly, I'm sick of hearing these people complain about the harm WE are doing to THEM by coming out. I'm sick of watching them treat those of us who are openly gay as if we are not quite as good or successful or smart as they are. Mostly I'm sick of hearing how gay groups demanding what should be ours inherently are an embarrassment. It is NOT gay groups who are the embarrassment.

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Lee Horner

Horner's Corner

You've no doubt been following the LA police department activities as reported, widely, in the press of late.

It brings back thoughts of my college statistics classes and random sampling. You can state with a certain degree of confidence that something occurs regularly if you sample a certain number of items—for example—the number of tomatoes in 25 cans—and from that can infer that in 1,000 cans of tomatoes a certain number will be present.

This is what random sampling is all about. You sample a small field to state what the larger field contains.

More to the point. The sample before us is the severe beating of a citizen by more than five (I heard reports of 12 officers at one time) representing LA's finest.

We have a sample of one incident. Statistics tells us that if it occurred once it has occurred other times as well.

Anyone who follows my column knows that I hate it when the press passes judgement on people in advance of trial, such as the "America's Most Wanted" TV shows that have the general public looking for people, not convicted of anything, but instead suspected of having committed a crime which the producers gleefully re-enacted for television America.

However, we have before us, repeatedly, the video tape of the event going down. There has been no suggestion of editing of the tape or other offers of proof that it is "doctored" and not an authentic representation of what happened.

The officers are certainly entitled to their day in court and I will reserve judgement. Meanwhile, but what about the other similar incidents that statistics tell us must have occurred or will occur? What, if anything, is being done to prevent such people from being in a position of authority which they have, appar-

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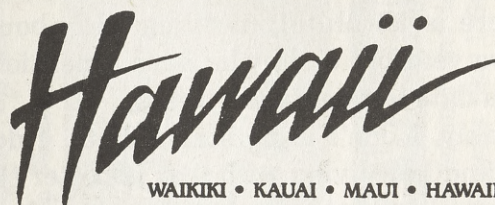
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These homosexuals whine a lot about their right to privacy. And about how it would just break their poor old mother's hearts if their poor old mothers ever knew. obviously, their mothers are not only poor and old; they must be pretty stupid, too (unless I miss my mark and there is absolutely nothing odd about a forty five year old child who hasn't mentioned having a date in twenty five years).

Frankly, I don't understand them. I don't understand how living with fear is better than living openly. I don't understand how being liked for who you are not is better than being accepted for who you are. And I don't understand how an independent adult can justify not coming out to their family on the basis of being afraid. Afraid of what?

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It seems to me that homosexuals who aren't gay aren't really much of anything else either. Well, they ARE an encumbrance. They ARE the main reason that the committee at the St. Patrick's Day Parade could safely turn their back on a few hundred of us (think what would have happened if every homosexual who marched in the parade had walked with the gay Irish group). They ARE the impetus for the fundamentalist cranks who will work so hard again this year to knock down bills to protect our civil rights (how much of that money comes from homophobic homosexuals?) And sadly, they are sometimes the aunts or uncles of the teenagers who commit anti-gay hate crimes.

But then, these homosexuals embrace the homophobia that exists. After all, it's a validation of their decision to remain in the closet. They even secretly understand the REASON for gay bashing. As one closeted guy remarked, "If you people insist on flaunting it, what do you expect?"

I know "gay-hating" homosexuals are unhappy, insecure people who should be pitied; but how much compassion can we, gripped by the terror of AIDS, have for a bunch of cowardly, self-centered jerks? How much energy should we, fighting for our right not to lose our jobs because of prejudice, devote to the successful attorney who just "hates faggots"? How many tears should we shed because a closeted woman is simply going out of her mind with worry that her husband may find out about her girlfriend?

Should we shake our heads in despair when they lament about how an AIDS house will bring their property values down? Should we sympathize with them when they have to bear the ordeal of their families seeing dykes and queers protesting on the news? Should we follow through on our impulse to kick them in their dead beat, sorry asses? Now THAT works for me. ♡

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After all, when a local district attorney has a conflict in prosecuting a particular criminal, the AG's office doesn't hesitate to step in and do the job. The same thing should happen here. Law enforcement personnel deserve our respect and they do a hell of a job by and large, but just like an ounce of diesel fuel will spoil a barrel of dill pickles, one bad cop will ruin any police department eventually unless protective measures are taken to insure the authority doesn't go to the head. ▼

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In My Opinion

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However, in the world at large, nobody really believed in Fairies. These People had some extremely strange and bizarre ideas about what Fairies would be like if they existed. But certainly nobody actually knew any.

And so two strange things began to happen simultaneously. First, the Fairies grew into a thriving culture. There came to be Fairie square-dancing troupes, hiking clubs, tennis clubs, churches and synagogues, Bible studies, AA 12 step programs, beaches, resorts, travel agencies and publications. Just about any activity known to the human race was adopted by the Fairies and made a part of their culture. And because Fairies are a naturally fun-loving and enthusiastic group, Fairie Culture quickly grew.

Second, Fairies continued with the normal business of life: holding down jobs, going to school, raising children, buying houses. Most Fairies were invisible to the world at large, and so the Fairies simply moved in and out of the rest of humanity undetected. Since nobody believed in Fairies, or thought they knew any, it just never occurred to anyone that in fact they were surrounded by Fairies — fully 10% of the population. To quote a famous Fairie, "One out of every ten of you is one of us."

And so the rest of the world continued to pretend that there were no Fairies, even as Fairies continued to go on about their business.

Now, there was also a dark, evil Kingdom, known as the Land of the Funny Damn Mentalists. How they came to be called this is a mystery because they were virulently opposed to anything either fun or mental. The "Fundies," as they were known, believed that

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life should be a drudgery, that pleasure is an evil thing (unless it can somehow be used to further the Kingdom, for example, as part of a recruitment drive) and that joy for its own sake must be regulated and suppressed. Small wonder that the Fairies, whose very existence was predicated on joy, should be the objects of the wrath of the Fundies.

At one time the Kingdom of the Fundies extended over much of the world, and they succeeded in enacting much of their dogma into civil legislation. And even though today, their Kingdom has receded, it is not powerless. As the Old Testament says about someone else, "Their kingdom was small and full of uproar."

In addition, the Kingdom of the Fundies was successful in persuading many people that

they were supposed to hate Fairies. There was no rational reason for them to hate the fairies, but, alas and alack, when small children are taught to hate, they do not as a rule respond to reason in later life.

And so it came to pass that many people hated a group they knew nothing about, and which included many individuals they thought highly of, just because they thought they were supposed to.

One day, nobody is quite sure when, the Fairies decided that enough was enough, and they would make themselves known to the world. So, they invented something called "Coming Out." By this process, the rest of the world would be forced to confront its fears and prejudices.

In the early days, Coming Out had a measure of success. Fairies who came out included a handful of state legislators, a member of the Oakland Raiders, an Olympic gold medalist, and various respected professionals. A number of Fundie anti-Fairie laws were scrapped, and opinion polls showed that in only a ten-year period, nearly half the population softened its hostility to the Fairies.

Unfortunately, the Fundies created a Backlash that swept through Fairyland. Incidents of physical violence against Fairies rose astronomically in the same time period.

At first, the Fairies were mystified — and deeply hurt — by this violent reaction. They themselves were a kind and gentle people, not given to violence. They did not understand why the Fundies and their sheep felt so hostile and threatened by a people that meant them no harm.

Well, eventually the Fairies did live happily ever after. You see, evil is inherently powerless over good, and fear and ignorance are no match for truth and justice. It took a long, long time, but eventually, just by being their own gentle selves, the hearts of the people began to be moved at the gross and manifest injustices the Fairie community sustained at the hands of the Kingdom of the Fundies.

And the moral of the story is this: Centuries of ingrained hatred are not going to be eradicated overnight, but neither will they last forever. ▼

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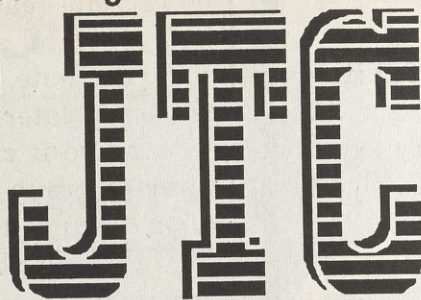
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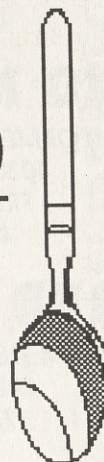
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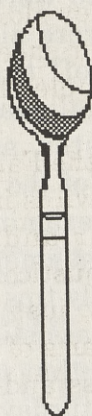
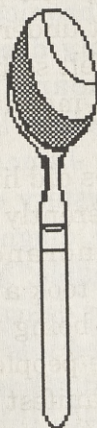


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The Bedpan Lament

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I remember the good 'ole days when nurses wore those white earth shoes and anything having to do with body fluids was confined to the patient's bedroom. Back then, diseases and viruses were explainable and people died of practical causes. You either had cancer or you got hit by a truck. It was that simple.

Now so many diseases and ailments have variated and spread that people seem to die for no apparent reason. And diseases today are all polysyllabic. Half way into this century, pneumonia was the only ailment claiming any great written length. Today, diseases are so polyworded and polysyllabic that by the time the medical transcriptionist is through transcribing, the patient is either dead or cured.

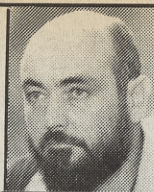
And further back, prior to the Golden Age of Medicine, people who were chronically ill or grossly disfigured were simply deemed possessed and tossed off the nearest bridge. Unfortunately, medical evangelists like Louis Pasteur, Joseph Lister, and James Carroll would soon drain all of the mystery out of the art of sickness. They examined, diagnosed, and labelled every ailment imaginable. Now, anything that even slightly tips our delicate health equilibrium is neatly assimilated into scientific schemata. Used to be that most ailments were easily tamed by a Saturday drive through the mountains or a weekend at the beach. My, how medicine has changed! Sometimes I yearn for the days when nurses wore all white and all polyester, when a bed pan was a bed pan, and medicine was a bowl of mom's chicken soup. ▼

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Eastern—since fallen from the sky—couldn't sell enough assets to soar long through the rarefied air of the 80's economic miracle. The Atlanta Airport, however, looked as prosperous as in the days before Messrs. Reagan and Bush made everything better.

The first-class section was empty except for a frail young man and me. We sat across the aisle from each other. He was returning from Paris where he was undergoing an experimental treatment for a rare urinary bladder cancer. "I have AIDS," he added. I told him of my pending test for HIV. He said he hoped it was negative.

Over California I stood in my stocking feet, looking down through his window at Old Half Dome and listening to him talk of places he loved in Yosemite. I shifted my weight and my feet felt cold, wet. I loved looking out of airplane windows so why do my feet feel wet? My god, they are wet! I'm standing in what?

Panic. I glanced under his seat. It was wet. Hopefully I asked, "Did you spill your drink, my feet are wet?" "No," he smiled, pointing at a plastic bag by his feet. "It is ice for my medicine." The steward gave us towels and another bag of ice.

Back in my cushy seat I sipped coffee and Kahlua (if you put Kahlua in airplane coffee it tastes better.) The smog had turned to silver, gray fog fingering over the South Peninsula. Gold light dappled into the cabin. My friend across the aisle said, "When I die I hope it is like this." "Me too, but I hope I do not die." "Someday you will, my friend, but I hope not soon."

I went to California to attend a reunion of a group from the fabled 1960's. We gathered on a mountain above the Napa Valley and dreamed of then. I had arrived on a magic Eastern rock-

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et, skimming nearer the stars than the highest mountain. "Camelot will never die!" we told each other as we toasted our memories.

Back in New Orleans, ACT-UP was getting arrested in the street in front of Charity Hospital. Sweet Louisiana, Charity has the only AIDS clinic in all the state and so little money. If I have AIDS will I end up there? Scary thought. No wonder people do not like taking the test, it makes you think of scary things.

"Yes, it is back," the voice on the phone said. I had given my secret number, she had said I could come in at 3 p.m.

I don't have a car and the bus would be too slow, a cab too expensive. Calm, it is four hours till 3. I went to lunch, food is a good reason to live. I need to lose fifty pounds. If the test is positive I will. And still get to eat? Maybe not. Some people with AIDS do not eat much. Are they sick from treatment, cancer or just their taste for it.

All the chilling thoughts went through me sitting in the waiting room. My name is called.

"You are negative." We sat in a tiny room. I must have looked unbelieving, "Look, you can see for yourself." I looked, two places on cards were blackened. Both said negative.

Outside a large, young black woman and I waited for the bus. She looked like her news was bad, she looked like she was pregnant. I thought of cheering her with my good news but thought better of it. Overhead the sky was an azure blue heaven. If I must die someday, I hope it is a day like this.

An interview by Leonard Earl Johnson with author and National Public Radio commentator Andrei Codrescu is in the March 12 issue of THE ADVOCATE. An additional conversation with Codrescu will appear in these pages at a latter date. ▼

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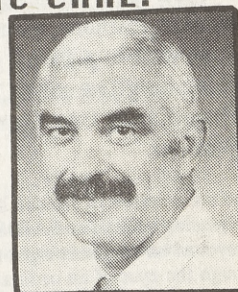
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The unusual thing, that day on the mountain, was Carla pacing behind. Back then Carla was twenty-five. Ina was forty-five: she felt young as a new-hatched chick and old as a frail elderly lady. This now was like being herded; for Ina was a sheep in love, stepping gingerly on rough terrain, her eyes caressing green and golden plants and ruddy lichen, her hand reaching out to stunted blueberry bushes. Ina savored the dry berries, shreds of early summer.

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out of her, scattering, soaking into the dry soil of the mountain. She was becoming a happy husk.

At some sharp bend of the trail, Carla strode past. The camera jounced against her faded green halter, her paler breasts. As if hurrying to catch up with herself, she skipped and ran over the rocks, then back to the narrow trail. Part of her hair was caught up in a bundle by the camera strap. On Carla's back, thin white shapes, ghosts of other garments; Ina wanted to follow the outlines with a finger, touch the varied hues. Cut-offs moved with Carla's hips. Sturdy legs, sun-reddened on the calves, found solid footing and sprang on.

Ina was present there because of Carla. It was Carla's choice of activity and of terrain. And beyond that, as far as Ina was concerned, it was Carla who, in space and time, made Ina's existence real. She materialized Ina, as it were. Carla's peripheral glance that minute was enough. She took into her eyes Ina's desire and Ina's resistance to desire, pressed both precisely imaged into Carla's brain. Carla: photographer of Ina's soul.

Ina picked her way steadily, if rather slowly, over the thick bones of the mountain. Musing, she crossed a bowl of smooth terrain and clambered down. She looked up and swam in the sky. One wisp of cloud hummed in the blue. Up again she went, bending forward, watching her boots scatter sand and pebbles. She found a landscape without human trace.

No Carla. Where was Carla?

No path. No cairn.

Oh, over there, a pile of stones. Was it the same trail?

Lost?

Yes...

Ina decided to call out. Her voice was a mere pin dropping in that big place. Fear flapped a wing in her belly. Where the hell was Carla? A bigger shout came out of Ina's mouth; still, hardly a thumb flick in that big sky.

She dug in her shirt pocket over her small flabby breast. Matches, a joint.

'No! You're stoned enough already. Not a good idea when you're lost.'

Okay, Ina, be reasonable, do some thinking and get yourself back. Remember that little pine tree clinging for dear life to a stone held

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in its clawing roots? It was on the right coming down. Go back then, back up there and to the left. Where were her own footprints? She saw faint traces and followed them. Up on the near ridge, flat rock. The tracks stopped. She didn't believe she had crossed this cliffy curve before. She thought: 'What if that was wrong?' She stood gazing.

A voice came calling her name. On the far side of the dell behind Ina, Carla hunched on a boulder. There was a white pole up there, a scratch in the landscape. It was the place they'd started from, the end of the loop.

Carla beckoned in a peremptory fashion. She dangled her boots, resting her face in her hands. She'd tied a red kerchief over her head.

Ina grinned and began stamping toward Carla, rapidly at first, then slowed by fatigue, then fast again. She felt sticky, heavy, thirsty.

"Can I have some water?" were the first words Ina uttered.

Without looking at her, Carla handed over the canteen. A few refreshing drops were left.

They climbed down to the parking lot without talking. Carla unlocked the car. She reached across and unlocked the passenger

side of the VW, the back of which was full of camping stuff. Ina heard herself sigh deeply as she piled in. They both rolled down the windows. Carla started the engine. She said nothing—nothing about how hot it was and how much hotter it would have been if they hadn't parked under a tree. She drove with a set jaw, pursed lips.

"You're pissed."

"Of course," Carla said wearily. "I was worried. I had visions of going to find the park police and spending the rest of the day on getting you found. What an incredible hassle."

"Yeah," Ina admitted. "My sense of direction is so fucking bad."

"And you were stoned."

"Yeah, but my sense of direction is good."

Ina didn't answer. This—being in trouble with Carla—actually felt good in a sick sort of way. But risky, not a pleasure to prolong.

"I'm sorry," she said. "It will not happen again."

"Really?"

"Really."

She could feel that Carla's anger lingered. Well, naturally. Anger doesn't disappear in one second; there's a period of cooling off. ▼

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Traveling with an Immune Deficiency

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by K. Orton Williams

Many PWAs intend to visit parts of the world they only dreamed of before diagnosis, places which are invariably exotic, comparatively inaccessible and medically unsophisticated. Even with adequate finances and good hotels (assuming there are any), such visits pose additional health risks for immunocompromised individuals, but PWAs particularly are seldom rich and may have to travel on a half a shoestring, which can increase those risks.

Although by definition risks are just that and can never be entirely eliminated, with a little foresight and a few simple precautions, they can be minimized. The first decision to make is an important one: one about which you should try to be completely honest with yourself. Do you feel healthy enough to go and deal with whatever problems might arise? If the answer is yes, the following may be of use. Much of it is common sense, so if I state the obvious, I ask your forbearance.

Each year up to 30 million Americans are at risk of contracting travelers' diarrhea, a temporary ailment (I almost said "passing") caused by the microorganisms found in contaminated food or water - often those contami-

nated by fecal material. These organisms include many viruses and bacteria such as Escherichia coli, Salmonella and Shigella. In addition to frequent bowel evacuations, symptoms include abdominal cramps, nausea, bloating, fever and feeling lousy. The World Health Organization reports that this "is now a widespread phenomenon affecting 20 to 50 percent of all travelers."

Some travelers start a course of doxycycline as a preventative before their trip, however, Dr. Fran Taylor of the San Francisco Department of Public Health's Bureau of Communicable Diseases does not recommend this for immunocompromised people. "Doxycycline will eliminate E. coli," she says, "but it won't stop diarrhea caused by viruses. And by eliminating normal intestinal flora, it may possibly increase susceptibility to Salmonella and Shigella." The best preventative for anyone, immunocompromised or not, and especially if you are, remains, "Don't drink the water." At least, not without treating it.

Fluids

To purify local water yourself, add five drops of two percent tincture of iodine to each gallon of clear water; for cloudy water, strain it first through a clean cloth, then add ten drops of two percent iodine tincture. Alternatively, and less trouble, buy an iodine or chlorine preparation for treating water before you leave the U.S. and follow the instructions. International brand names of bottled mineral waters are pure in theory (at the beginning of 1990, Perrier withdrew its stock world-wide because of benzene contamination!) but once off the beaten track, you can't rely on finding them, and may not want to pay the asking price if you can.

Local 'purified' water is not always reliable. Dr. Taylor is not impressed with purified water, however fancy the label on the bottle. "If it is not carbonated (which you can tell when you open it)," she says, "there is always the possibility that the bottle has been refilled in the hotel or somewhere else." Canned or bottled carbonated sodas and mixers, Coke, Sprite, root-beer and a host of others, plus local beer

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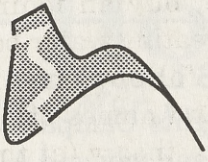
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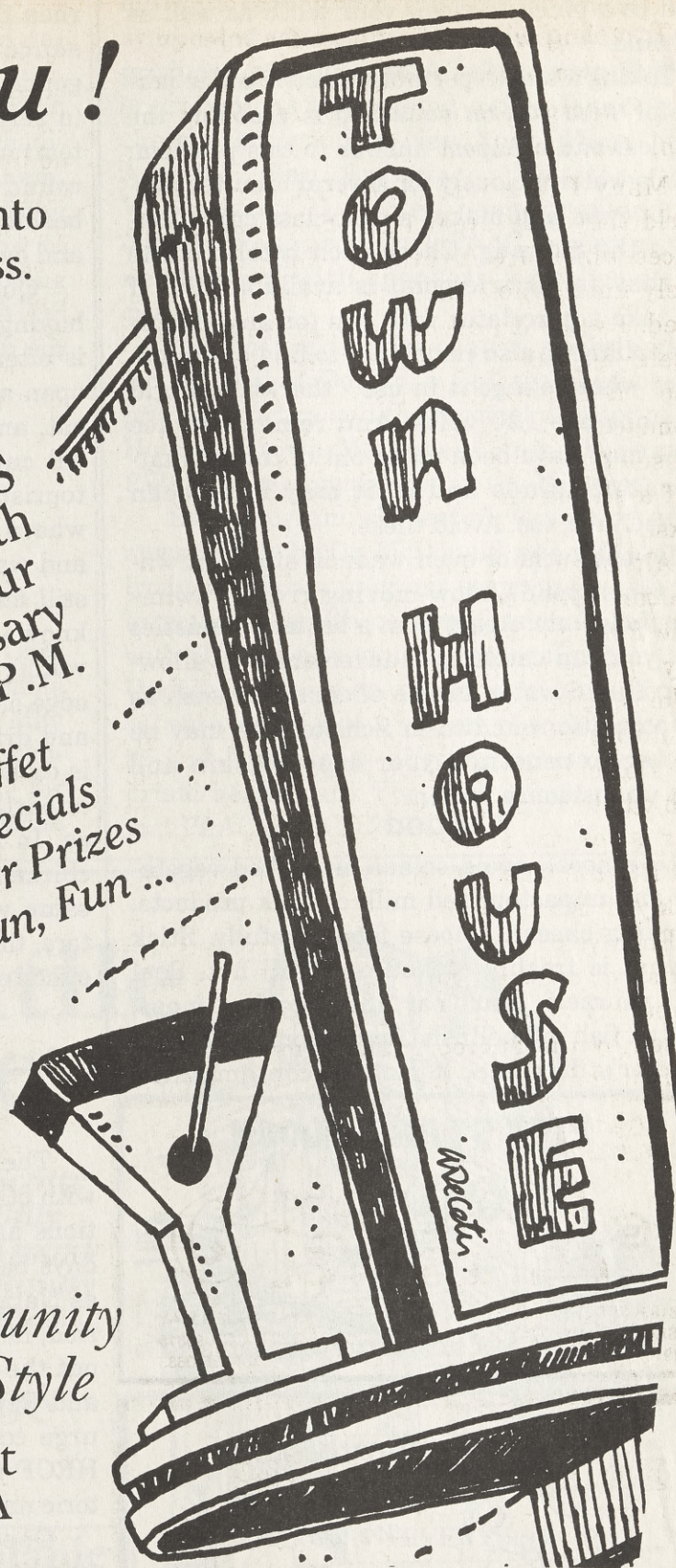
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and wine, can be considered safe and can be used in a pinch to clean your teeth as well as to drink.

Taking a small, portable, electric coffee percolator with you on your trip is probably the simplest and cheapest answer to this problem; it boils water viciously for several minutes during its cycle and makes a first-class cup of coffee in the morning. Check each hotel room to see that an electric point is available. But if you take a percolator with you (or any electrical appliance), also remember to find out in advance what voltage is in use - the whole world does not use 120 volts. And remember: Ice cubes may have been made out of contaminated water; salads and fruit may have been washed in it, too. Avoid these.

Do not swim or even wade in stagnant water, pools, ponds, slow-moving rivers, 'swimming holes' etc. Apart from a battery of nasties that you can catch by inadvertently swallowing polluted water, larvae of creatures such as the parasitic roundworm *Schistosoma* may be waiting to penetrate your exposed skin and take up residence within.

Food

In general, avoid salads, uncooked vegetables and unpasteurized milk or milk products, including cheese. Choose food carefully. Stick to what is freshly cooked and still hot. Peel fruit yourself. Don't eat under cooked meat, poultry, fish or shellfish. Apart from the risk of traveler's diarrhea, it may be contaminated

with parasites such as *Cryptosporidium* and *Isospora* which can produce the chronic diarrhea that many PWAs must endure in the absence of effective treatment; *Toxoplasma gondii*, which may give rise to Toxoplasmosis (a serious disease of the central nervous system) in immune-suppressed people; flatworms, roundworms and goodness knows what else besides. Remember that sushi, steak tartare and oysters are uncooked (sob sob!)

Quite often, guide books caution against buying any food cooked at roadside stalls. This is often sound advice but stalls, barbecues or open-air kitchens may be the only places to eat, and frequently serve a more authentic local cuisine, if that is what you want, than tourist hotels. If you eat at stalls, pick those where you can select what goes on the grill and watch it cook while you wait. Then, if you still feel it needs further cooking, let the cook know - there are ways of doing it without provoking an international incident. Prior knowledge of local custom will aid your choice of food and drink. In Jamaica for instance, 'jerk pork' is cooked for up to 24 hours in an underground or earth oven on dry, aromatic allspice branches. In Fiji, Samoa and many Pacific Islands, chicken and pork may be cooked in much the same way. In addition to its novelty for visitors, the earth oven is probably one of the most effective food sterilizers in use. ▼

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Opponents of adequate spending and programs continue to hinder our ability to combat the threat we face. Direct, personal contact with your Representatives and Senators will make an important difference. They will find

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out, first-hand, why support for effective national AIDS policies is important.

The Campaign Fund will provide back-up materials to our members and to other organizations and individuals who request them. Please call 202-628-4160 if you need voting records, issue briefing papers, our "How to Lobby" materials, and other materials being prepared to insure that the National AIDS Lobby Days will have a powerful impact on our elected officials. ▼

PAAC Launches Monthly AIDS Cable Show

The Physicians Association for AIDS Care (PAAC) will launch a new monthly AIDS cable series called HIV Update in Chicago on May 9th. According to Gordon Nary, PAAC's executive director, the series will be available for syndication to approximately 70 top television

markets throughout the United States. The syndicated version of HIV Update will be co-produced with local PAAC chapters and PWA organizations in targeted cities. Funding for the coproduction in New York, Miami, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Houston, and Washington D.C. has been provided by Janssen Pharmaceutical. PAAC is currently in negotiation with sponsors for other select cities.

The host of this innovative series will be Dr. Richard McDonald, a Chicago physician in private practice and the medical director of the Howard Brown Memorial Clinic, the largest PWA service organization in the Midwest.

Each program will feature a monthly AIDS news update by Dr. McDonald who will also introduce various program segments which are targeted to health care professionals, persons with HIV disease, and the general public. HIV Update will focus on current standards of clinical care, as well as a variety of social, economic, and legal issues affecting access to appropriate health care. For more information, contact PAAC at (312) 222-1326. ▼

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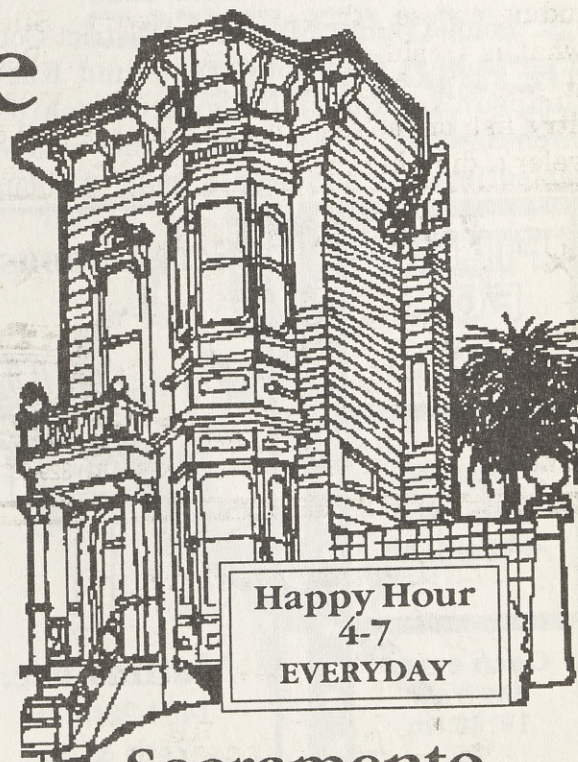
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The meeting will be held at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert Street N.W. in Washington, D.C. On Saturday, May 11, the meeting runs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The meeting is free. Individuals or groups are encouraged to register as soon as possible by calling 1-800-832-2889. Discount airline and hotel reservations are available. Please make reservations early.

Those unable to attend this meeting are urged to submit an oral or written proposal to NGLTF. Call 1-800-832-2889, or write to 1734 14th Street NW, Washington, DC 20009-4309, Attention: March on Washington. FAX: (202) 332-0207. ▼

Judge Reopens Guardianship Hearings in Thompson/Kowalski Case

St. Louis County, Minnesota District Court Judge Robert Campbell reopened Karen Thompson's request for guardianship of Sharon Kowalski, her lesbian partner who was disabled in a car accident in 1983. Although

Judge Campbell heard four days of testimony in November and December of 1990, he decided to allow one more day of testimony to accommodate medical personnel from Leisure Hill Nursing Home. No other party has filed a request to be Kowalski's guardian.

Sharon Kowalski resided in the Leisure Hill Nursing Home from July 1985 until January 1989, during which time Karen Thompson was not allowed to see her. ▼

Star Drek

"What would you have us do, put pink triangles on them? Have them sashay down the corridors?" So said Richard Arnold, publicity flak for Paramount Studios, at Boston's February *Star Trek* convention. These "sensitive" observations were in response to complaints that there are no gays or lesbians in the 24th century — at least as portrayed on *Star Trek: The Next Generation*.

Star Trek has a long history of attacking racism and sexism. Tell the producers if they really want to go where no one has gone before, they should have the courage to challenge homophobia, too. Beaming us portrayals of proudly out lesbians and gays would certainly set our phasers to stun. Write Gene Roddenberry, Executive Producer, *Star Trek: The Next Generation*, Paramount Television, 5555 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90038. —*The GLAAD Bulletin* ▼

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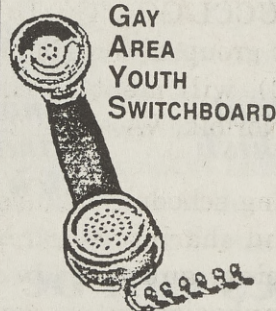
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Same-sex Couples Need to Cover Their Assets

Millions of gay and lesbian couples need to make better legal arrangements to protect themselves, according to Stevie Bryant and Demian, who publish and edit Partners Newsletter for Gay & Lesbian Couples. As evidence, the men cite their national survey of 1,266 gay and lesbian couples, in which the majority of couples had taken no legal precautions whatever.

"In the United States, same-sex couples have none of the automatic legal protections that are routinely conferred on married couples," says Bryant. "Consequently, lawyers generally recommend that we execute certain legal documents to protect ourselves and our partners. Most commonly mentioned are wills, powers of attorney, and partnership or living together agreements."

A free summary of results from the national survey may be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped, business-size envelope to Partners, Box 9685, Seattle, WA 98109. A detailed analysis appears in the newsletter's May/June 1990 issue, which may be ordered for \$3.95. A year's subscription costs \$21. Telephone inquiries may be made to Stevie Bryant or Demian at (206) 784-1519. ▼

United Church Meeting in June

"Family Life: Sharing the Joy/Healing the Pain" is the theme for the eleventh National Gathering of the United Church Coalition for Lesbian/Gay Concerns (UCCL/GC). The UCCL/GC, a special interest group of the United Church of Christ (UCC), will meet at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, VA, June 23-26.

The National Gathering schedule includes a mixture of learning and sharing, worship, workshops, music, dancing, and free time. Plenary sessions will emphasize issues connected to "families of origin" and "families of choice."

National Gathering registration deadline is May 10. A travel pool policy will be used, and a limited amount of scholarship help is available, but must be arranged early. For more information, write UCCL/GC at 18 N. College, Athens, OH 45701. ▼

Cleveland Gay Pride Celebration Planned

Cleveland's Third Annual Lesbian-Gay Pride celebration will be on June 15. Work has already begun on the lesbian-gay community's tradition of celebrating its joys and accomplishments.

Tentative plans have been made for the weekend. Friday evening, June 14, Stonewall Cleveland will host a Meet Your Elected Official Night and later Oven Productions will hold a concert for the whole community.

The March on Saturday through downtown will lead to the Festival site across from the Lesbian-Gay Community Center. Saturday night there will be a cruise on the Goodtime III—the ship's maiden voyage—hosted by the G.I.F.T. Bowling League. Other events are a 5-K Run and a Film Festival.

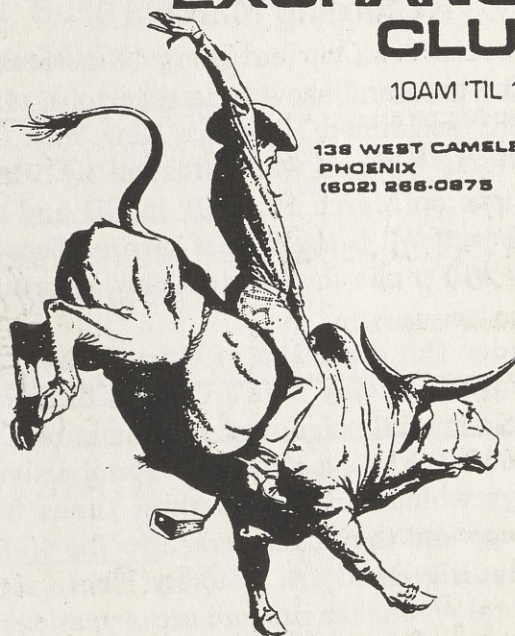
The Cleveland Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee will continue to meet in order to plan the functions. Meetings are held at the Lesbian-Gay Community Service Center at 1418 West 29th Street, just south of Detroit Ave.

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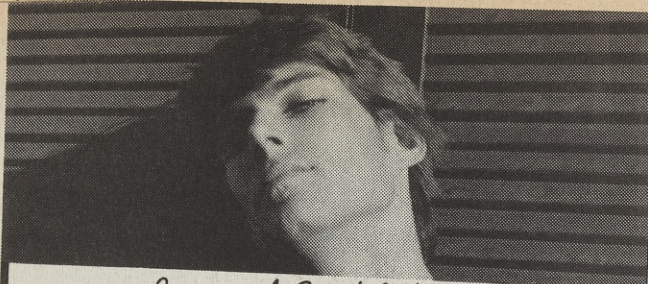
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With starlit eyes,

The innocent angels watched,

And whispered silkenly,

As I sat in silence,

And thought.

Where Am I Really?

On my pier above the rolling water,

I sit, and savor the moment.

The silent sounds soothe me.

The wind is brisk,

And born new each night.

The stars of distant,

Seem elegantly carved,

Into the blackened sky,

And the distant, glittering,

Shoreline lights,

Makes me feel I'm not here,

But someplace else,

So far away.

The Flight

A true master.

Staring hard-eyed,

He perched himself,

On a cliffs ledge,

Patiently awaiting his dinner.

The heat was searing,

In this unfriendly competition.

The golden-topped eagle,

Lifted,

And danced in the hazy blue sky.

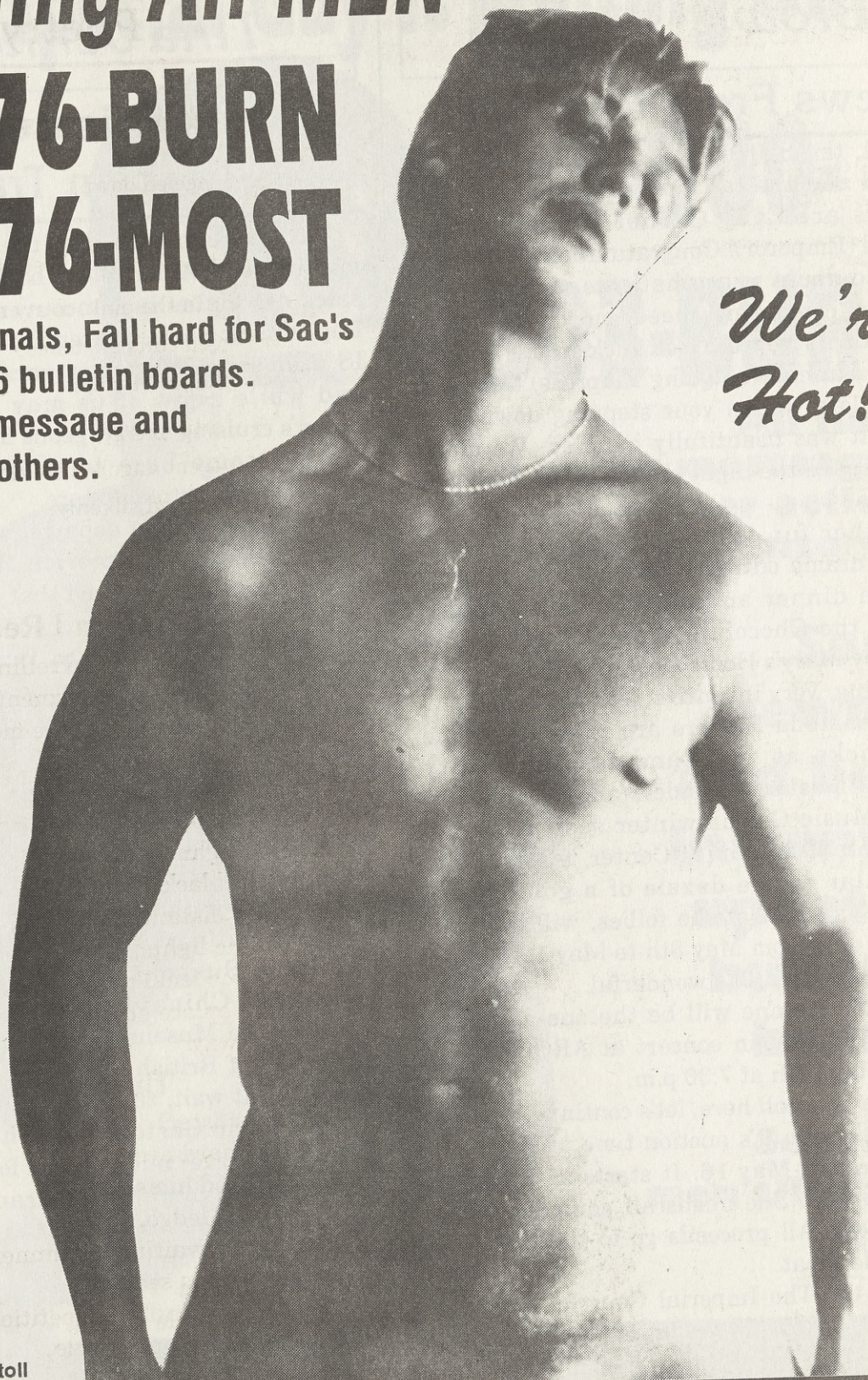
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Views From River City

Well, the ballots are in and the votes are counted and the fat lady has sung! And the winners are Lady Garnet (Empress) and Leonard (Emperor)! Congratulations! It's about time! No doubt peace hath its victories, but what our community needs now is a victory that hath its peace. Good luck in the coming months. Vannah (outgoing Empress) I want to congratulate you on your stepping down coronation. It was beautifully handled. We didn't have to spend the night there. It was a job well done

Another fun thing took place in April; RCMCC drama outreach presented an authentic cajun dinner and murder. This all took place at the Chocolate Ripple Desserts and catered by Mary's Home Cooking. it was a very fun evening. Very inventive; let's do it again.

The Lambda Players are presenting The Fantasticks at the Lambda Community Center. A "must see" I understand.

The Music Circus winter season, at the Sacramento Community Center, features the spectacular razzle dazzle of a golden era. "Ziegfeld," a night at the follies, will be there one week only from May 8th to May 12th. This is not to be missed. It's wonderful.

Another big one will be the one and only Whitney Houston in concert at ARCO Arena Sunday, May 12th at 7:30 p.m.

We are on a roll here, let's continue. LaKish is doing it again. It's auction time a la LaKish style Thursday, May 16. It starts at 7 p.m at the Mercantile. She needs all your discarded masterpieces. All proceeds go to the S.F. Gay Day Parade Float.

Listen up! The Imperial Court of the Lion and the Red Rose investiture (Lady Garnet Empress and Leonard Emperor) will take place Saturday, May 4th at Joseph's Town &

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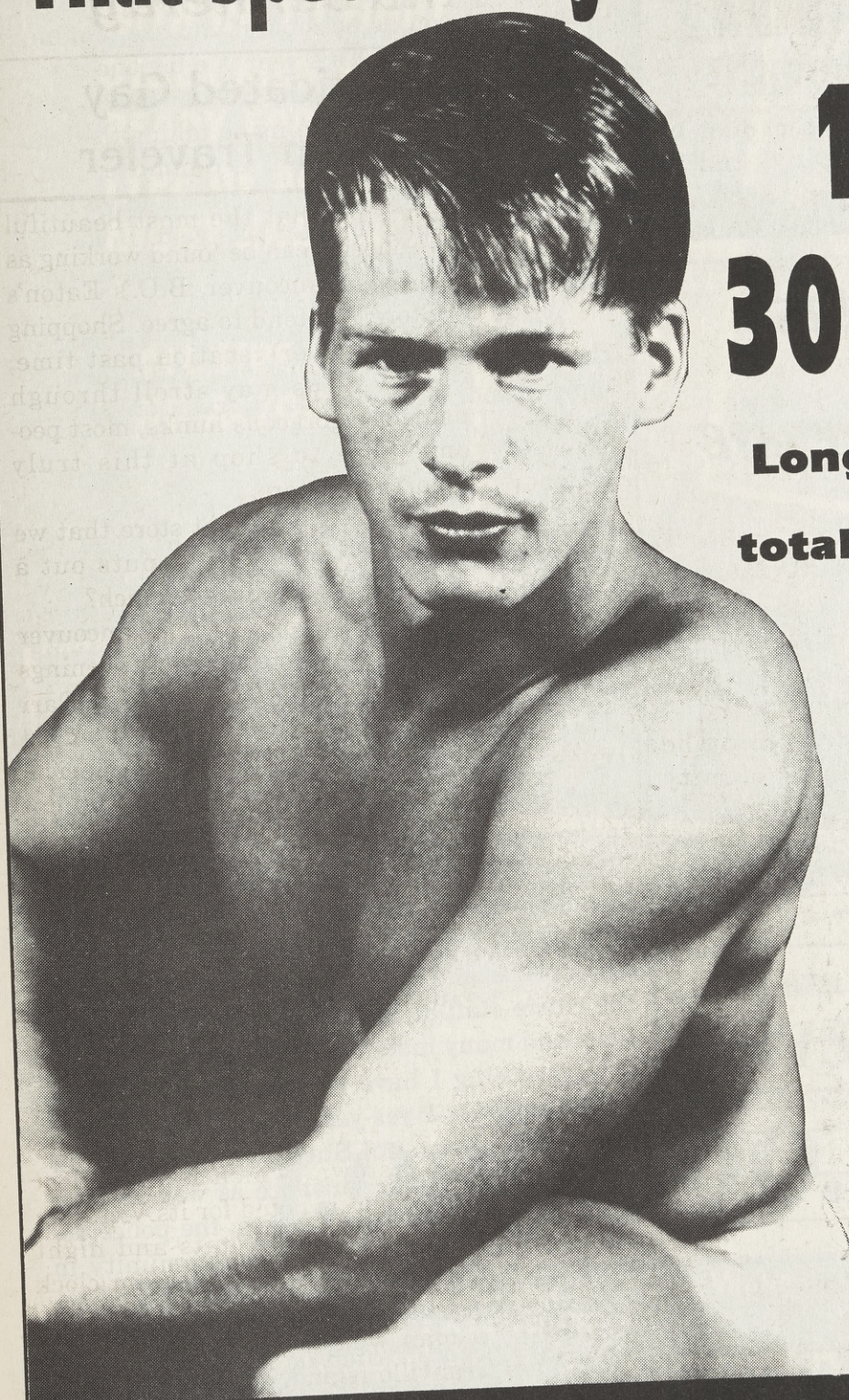
It has been said that the most beautiful men in North America can be found working as sales associates in Vancouver, B.C.'s Eaton's Department Store. We tend to agree. Shopping IS a favorite Vancouver vacation past time, and while a few of us may stroll through Eaton's cruising the gorgeous hunks, most people DO come here to shop at this truly Canadian department store.

It's also the only department store that we know of in North America that puts out a guidebook to the city. Isn't that too much?

They recommend a visit to the Vancouver Art gallery, which is free on Thursday evenings and houses the best collection of Emily Carr paintings in the world. They mention the most expensive science center in North America, Science World, where admission is \$10.00 but also includes whichever Omni film happens to be playing at the time. They tell of tours of the domed B.C. Place Stadium, the Bloedel Conservatory, the Van Dusen Gardens, the Burnaby Village Museum, the incredible Capilano Suspension Bridge in North Vancouver, Chinatown (the largest one in Canada), the Museum of Anthropology at the University of British Columbia and even Fort Langley. But wait, that's not all! They also include historic Gastown, which is the oldest part of Vancouver and is noted for its Victorian architecture, unique restaurants and night spots. Outside, near the famous steam clock are free guided tours every day at noon conducted by a man wearing a kilt. Also mentioned are Granville Island, Vancouver's Public Market, Grouse Mountain and its supersky aerial tramway, the Vancouver Museum, the Maritime Museum, and Stanley Park (the

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Ernie Brown (yours truly) is doing his annual bus trip the the Gay Day Parade in San Francisco Sunday, June 30th. I need to know now or as soon as possible if you are planning on taking the bus. This year is a big one. I may need two buses. so stop by the bar and sign up with me if you are planning on taking the bus.

Another thing, there is a committee forming here in Sacramento to help on entry float. Yes, we are going to enter this year. If you are able to help out on this project get in touch with Jim Maxwell or Miss Robby.

On May 19 Sacramento will take part in the eighth annual International AIDS candle-light memorial. For more information call the Sacramento AIDS Foundation.

Our own Stan Hadden is being recognized by the Legislature and the Sacramento AIDS Foundation. This event will acknowledge the decade of service Stan has given to his community. Tickets are \$35 for this Sacramento Convention Center event. Congratulations Stan, you deserve it!

The Buffalo Club presents Womens' Night every Wednesday night starting at 7:30 p.m., DJs Wednesdays and Thursdays, a pool tournament every Tuesday night with cash prizes to the winner.

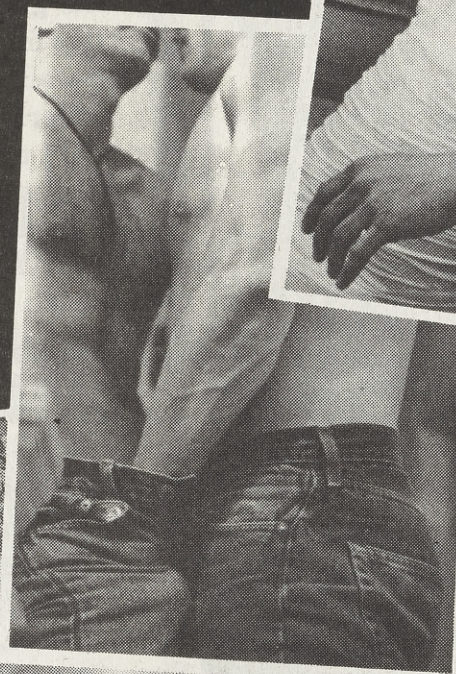
It's that time of the year again for the Townhouse. Yes, they will be celebrating their second anniversary Sunday, May 19th. Free food, prizes and fun for all will be available. To the entire staff at the Townhouse—congratulations and many more!

Everything I have written above has been on the upbeat. A yes-yes. What I am about to say now is a non-no! Stay away from Miller Park. Citing a public nuisance as well as community health and safety issues, the police department has enlisted the gay community in it's latest efforts to stamp out public sexual activity in Miller Park. As many as four men a week have been arrested on solicitation, lewd conduct and sex charges. OK, you stand warned. Remember, you can not prevent the birds of sorrow from flying over your head but you can prevent them from building nests in your hair. ♡

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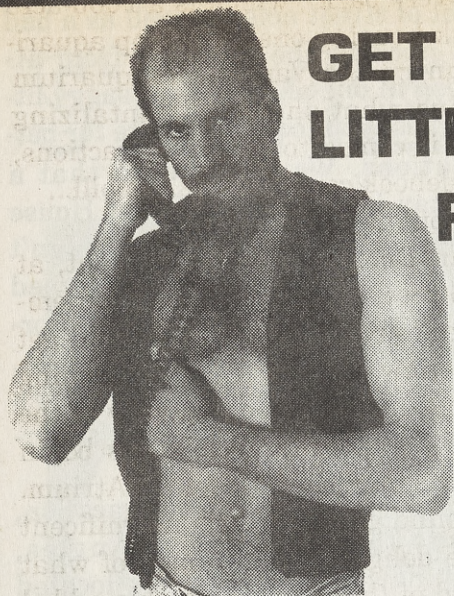
But what about gay Vancouver?

Heather Van Doornick of the Lookout, at 555 Hastings Street, says that before you embark on Gay Vancouver, you really should get the best overall view of the city first by coming up to the Lookout for a 360 degree view of the city. The glass-walled exterior elevators begin their trip from the new Harbor Center Atrium. As you walk around gazing at this magnificent city, visitors are delightfully informed of what is straight ahead of them by their value-added fact plaques which explain each panoramic vista. You can also see the film ONCE IN A WORLD: VANCOUVER, which plays several times each day. For just \$5.00, we feel the Lookout is the best attraction in town. It rates right up there with the C.N. Tower in Toronto and Seattle's Space Needle. Many people come for the view and stay for the food. And, when dinner is over, it's time to discover one of the most concentrated gay night scenes on the continent.

The super disco is Celebrities, at 1022 Davie Street, while Numbers at 1042 Davie Street is a bit butcher with less drag. Lesbians will enjoy the atmosphere at both the Lotus Club at 455 Abbott and Mrs. T's at 399 Pender Street. The Gandydancer is a Vancouver institution, located at 1222 Hamilton Street. Rumours, the Shaggy Horse, Streets, and Talk of the Town are some other places you may wish to investigate. Two restaurants we recommend are the Doll & Penny Cafe, and Hamburger Mary's at 1167 and 1202 Davie Street, respectively.

Most people come to Vancouver for three days and end up spending at least a week. It may be worth it for you to stay at a health club like Club Vancouver first before you select a second accommodation. Their number is 1-604-681-5719. We're sorry we cannot recommend a stay at Vancouver's gay hotel, the Dufferin, which is located at 900 Seymour Street, but unless you are a midget and don't mind an in-

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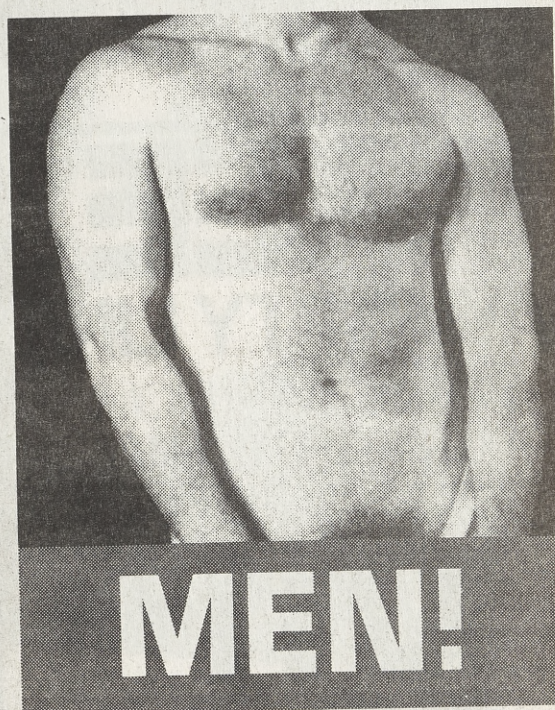
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Before embarking on a Vancouver vacation, you might want to get a copy of *Angles*, Vancouver's gay newspaper. They are located at 1170 Butte Street, at the Gay & Lesbian Community Center. Call 1-604-688-0265.

With 1.38 million residents, Vancouver is the third largest city in Canada, and it is known throughout the world for its friendly people, clean and safe environment, laid-back lifestyle, and even for its excellent drinking water. But above all, Vancouver is famous for its beautiful scenery; a modern, cosmopolitan city cradles between majestic mountains and the deep blue ocean. If you decide on a summer visit, go to the University of British Columbia, and if you are lucky to catch a warm day, you can swim Wreck Beach, the top nude beach on the West Coast.

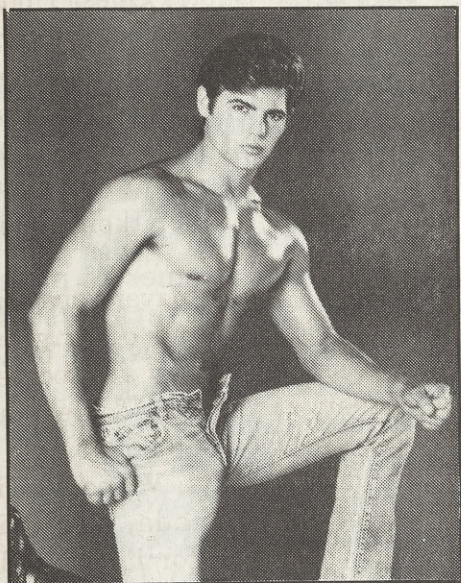
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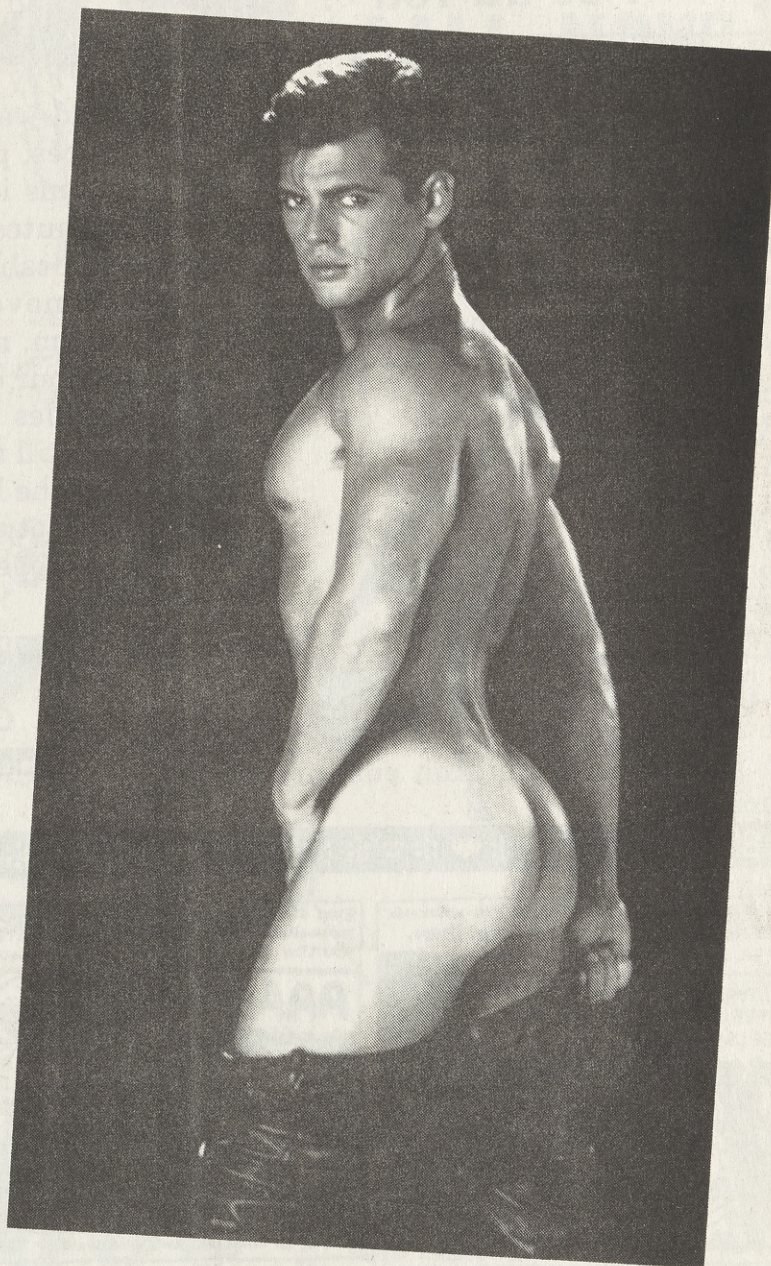
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1 tsp. Accent

1 10 oz. pkg. frozen peas

1 Tbsp. corn starch

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****ouch!!****

2 carrots (sliced)
2 chicken bouillon cubes
1 1/2 tsp. salt
1 head of cabbage (small, cut into eighths)

1/4 cup water or white wine
and mushrooms

GET READY, GO!!!

Fry chicken until brown and tender.

Add water, onion, carrots, celery, bouillon cubes, parsley, salt and sneak a few mushrooms in. Save some for later. Simmer 30 minutes. Test for tender, remove parsley, add cabbage and peas, simmer 15 minutes. Remove chicken and vegetables, keep warm, mix corn starch with water or wine of your choice. Return the chicken and vegetables to the juicy juices, add mushrooms, stir till thickened.

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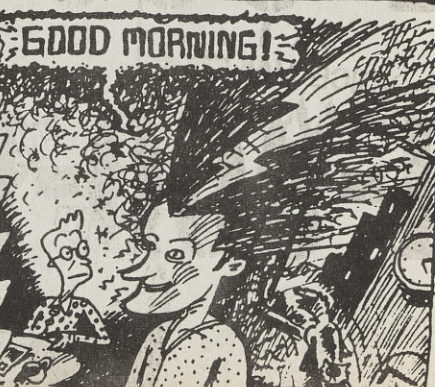
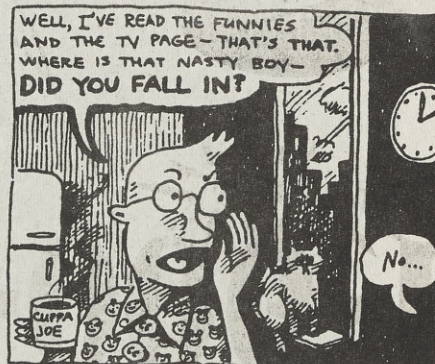
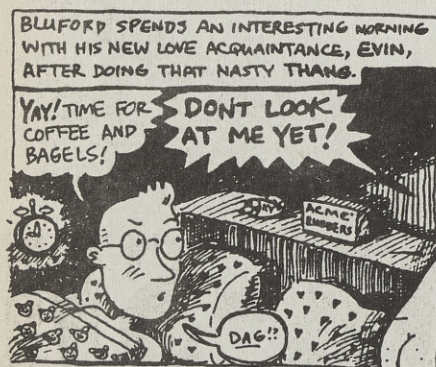
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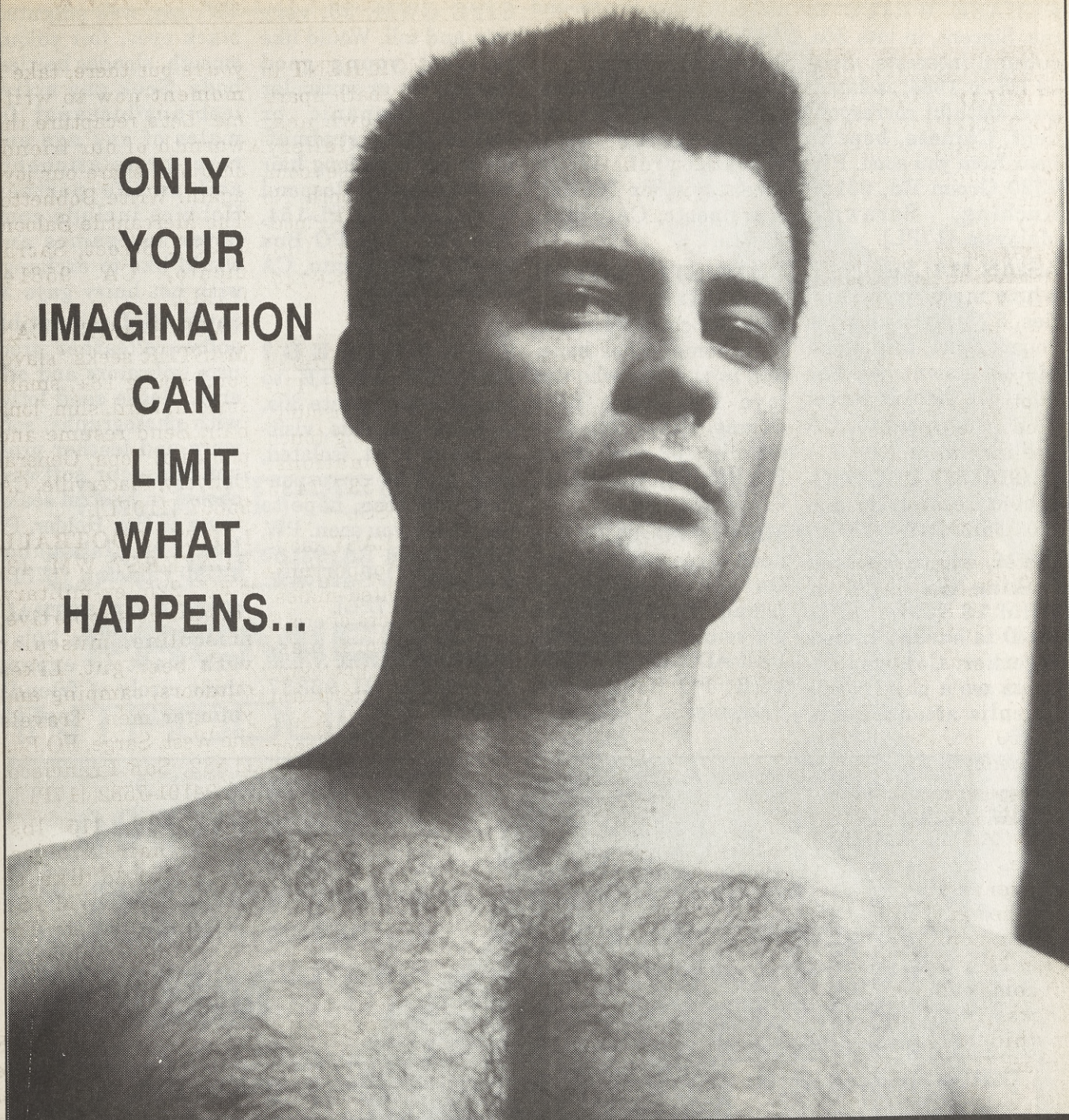
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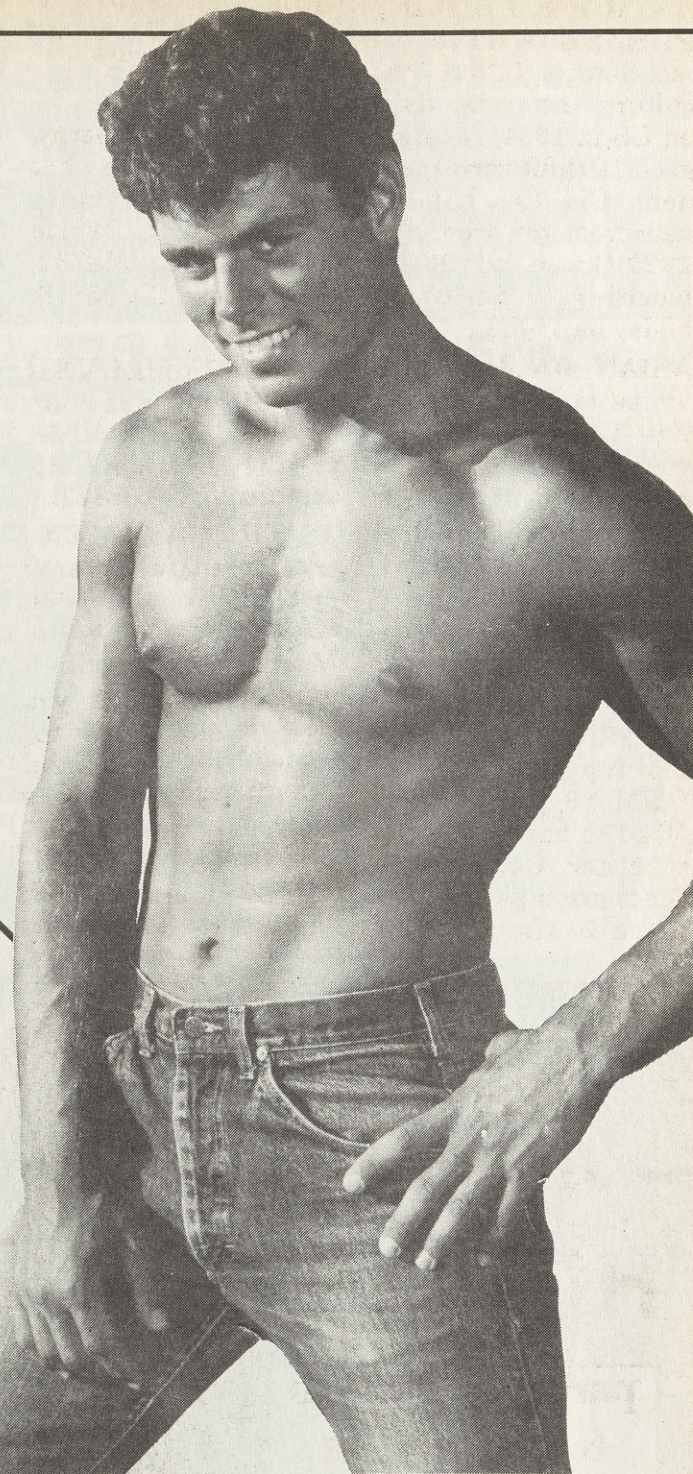
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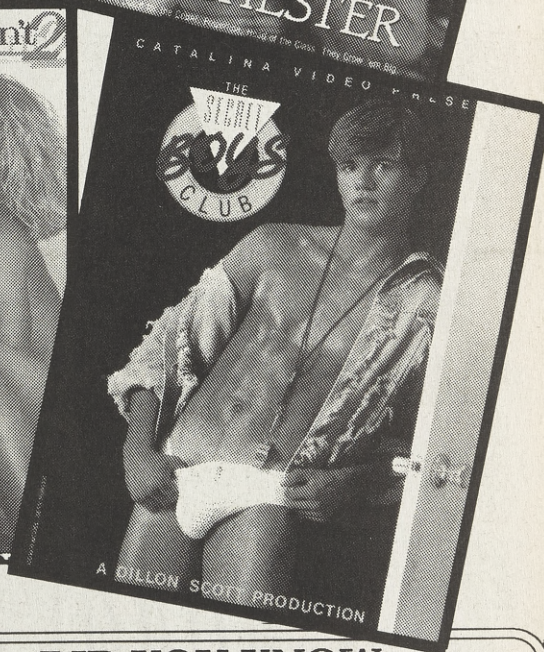
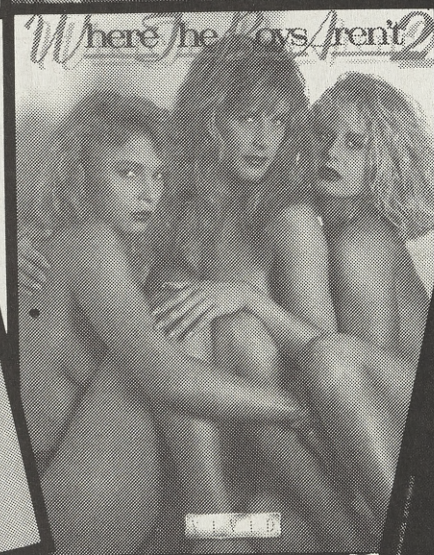
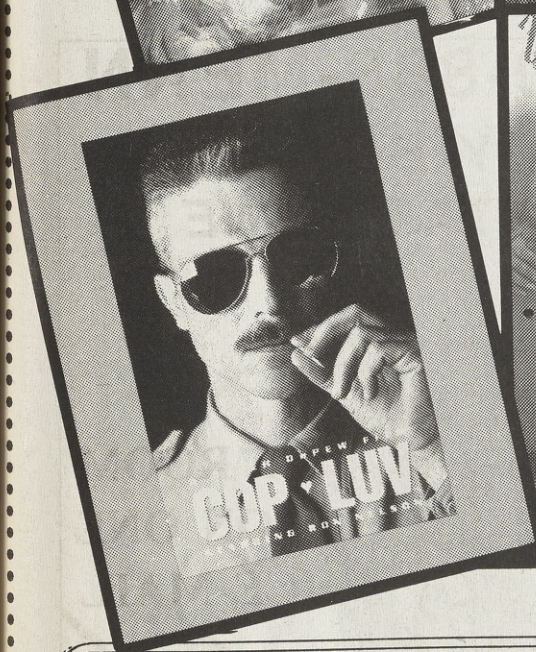
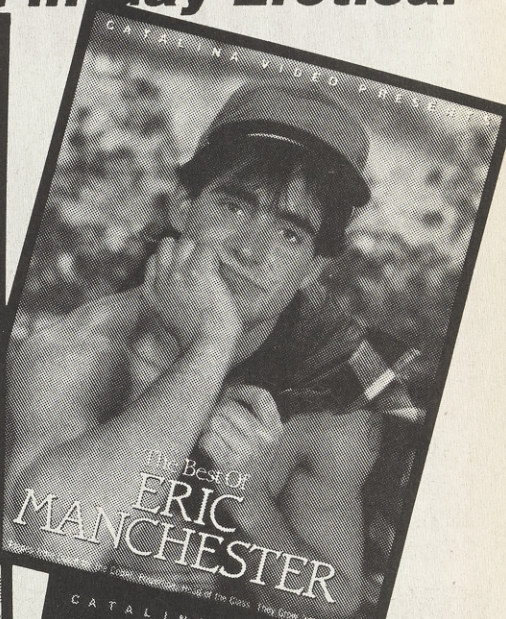
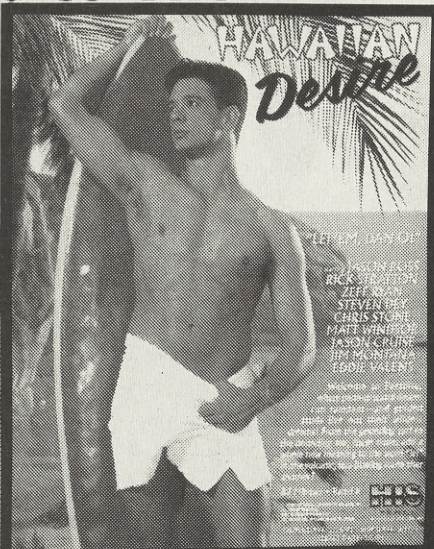


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